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PATENTREMARKS

Claims 1-24 were originally filed in the present application.

Claims 1-24 are pending in the present application.

Claims 1-24 were rejected in the August 16, 2006 Office Action.

No claims have been allowed.

Claims 1 and 7 have been amended herein.

Claims 1-24 remain in the present application.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants note that Claims 1 and 7 have been amended herein merely to correct typographical errors.

In Sections 1 and 2 of the August 16, 2006 Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-24 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,822,973 to *Kelley, et al.* (the "Kelley reference").

Applicants respectfully disagree.

Amended independent Claim 1 requires:

For use in a wireless network, a base station capable of controlling the use of the reduced slot cycle mode by a selected one of a plurality of mobile stations communicating with said base station, said base station comprising:

a message controller capable of transmitting a Page message to a first mobile station notifying said first mobile station that a data session between said base station and said first mobile station is being activated; and

a reduced slot cycle controller coupled to said message controller and capable of receiving from said first mobile station a Page Response message comprising a minimum reduced slot cycle index (SCI) value requested by said first mobile station, *wherein said reduced slot cycle controller, in response to receipt of said Page Response message, causes said message controller to transmit to said first mobile station a Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) value at which said first mobile station will operate.*

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Notably, Claim 1 requires a base station comprising reduced slot cycle controller that, *in response to receipt of said Page Response message, causes said message controller to transmit to said first mobile station a Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) value at which said first mobile station will operate.*

The Kelley reference, on the other hand, fails to disclose, for example, a Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) value at which the mobile station will operate. At most, the Kelley reference teaches a mobile station initiated system and a base station initiated system for implementing reduced slotted mode in a mobile station. Kelly reference, column 4, lines 29-33. In either system, the Kelly reference teaches that a base station 108 may respond to a mobile station 102 by acknowledging that it supports a *reduced slotted mode* or by providing a *maximum reduced slotted timer value*. See e.g., *Id.* at column 4, lines 40-49; and column 4, line 62 – column 5, line 2. There is, however, no teaching or disclosure of a base station providing a Release Order message, let alone a Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) as required by Claim 1. Accordingly, the Kelley reference fails to anticipate Claim 1 (and its dependents).

Similar requirements exist for independent Claims 7, 13 and 19 (and their respective dependents). For example, there is no teaching or disclosure of a base station (or any of its components) providing a Release Order message, let alone a Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) as required by Claims 7, 13 and 19.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and the withdrawal of the §102 rejection.

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PATENTSUMMARY

For the reasons given above, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims and that this application be passed to issue. If any outstanding issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at jmockler@munckbutrus.com.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.


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